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Abstract Differential Equations with Almost-Periodic Solutions*

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In this paper we present some quite simple results concerning almost-periodic solutions of abstract differential equations. We start with a general proposition about linear equations, then we establish some new facts about bounded or relatively compact solutions which become almost-periodic; finally, we study "separation from 0 properties" of non-trivial almost-periodic solutions for equations with bounded or unbounded operator coefficients. © 1985 Academic Press, Inc.

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We begin with a quite natural assertion related to Theorem 5.12 in [5, p. 93]. Let X be a Banach space over a scalar field, and $A; D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$ be a linear closed operator of domain $D(A) \subset X$ and range in X too. We shall use the notation $AP(X)$ for the (Banach) space of (continuous) almost-periodic functions, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$ equipped with the uniform norm

$$\|f(\cdot)\|_{AP(X)} = \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|f(t)\|_X.$$

For any $f \in AP(X)$ denote by $\exp(f) = (\lambda_n)_1^\infty$ the countable set of those real numbers λ such that

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T e^{-i\lambda t} f(t) dt \neq \theta.$$

Given now any subset A of the real line, let us call $AP_A(X)$ the set of those $f \in AP(X)$, such that $\exp(f) \subseteq A$; it is obviously a closed linear subspace of $AP(X)$. Let us state now the following

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THEOREM 1. *Let us assume that for any $f \in AP_A(X)$ there exists one and only one solution $x_f \in AP_A(X)$, such that $dx_f/dt \in AP_A(X)$, of the (abstract) differential equation $dx_f/dt = Ax_f + f$. Then, the mapping $f \rightarrow x_f$ is linear and continuous, $AP(X) \rightarrow AP(X)$.*

Proof. The linearity follows obviously from uniqueness, and from the linearity of the space $AP_A(X)$.

In order to establish the continuity of the mapping we shall first introduce a new space $AP_A^1(X) = \{f, \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X \text{ such that } f \text{ and } df/dt \text{ belong to } AP_A(X)\}$. This is again a closed linear subspace of $AP_A(X)$ as easily seen, under the norm

$$\|f\|_{AP_A^1(X)} = \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|f(t)\|_X + \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|f'(t)\|_X.$$

Next we consider the space $AP_A^{1,A}(X)$ consisting of the functions $f \in AP_A^1(X)$, with the supplementary property that $f(t) \in D(A) \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ and $Af(t) \in AP_A(X)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$. This is again a linear closed subspace of $AP_A^1(X)$ under the norm

$$\|f\|_{AP_A^{1,A}(X)} = \|f\|_{AP_A^1(X)} + \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|(Af)(t)\|_X$$

as is readily seen.

We are now able to define a mapping T from (whole) $AP_A^{1,A}(X)$ into $AP_A(X)$ by means of the relation $Tu = du/dt - Au$, $\forall u \in AP_A^{1,A}(X)$. By the assumptions of the theorem T is a surjective (onto) mapping, that is, for any $f \in AP_A(X)$ there is $x(t) \in AP_A^{1,A}(X)$, such that $dx/dt - Ax = f$. It is also an injective (one-one) mapping due to the uniqueness hypothesis. T is also continuous, because of the estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \|Tx\|_{AP_A(X)} &= \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \left\| \frac{dx(t)}{dt} - Ax(t) \right\|_X \leq \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|x'(t)\|_X + \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|Ax(t)\|_X \\ &\leq \|x\|_{AP_A^{1,A}(X)}. \end{aligned}$$

By a theorem of Banach, the inverse mapping T^{-1} (acting from $AP_A(X)$ into $AP_A^{1,A}(X)$, by formula $T^{-1}f = x_f$) is also continuous, so that

$$\|x_f\|_{AP_A^{1,A}(X)} \leq C \|f\|_{AP_A(X)},$$

which is stronger than what we wished to establish.

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In this section we establish almost-periodicity of all bounded solutions for a differential equation with null right-hand side and of all relatively

compact solutions for differential equations with almost-periodic right-hand side (a previous particular case appeared in [9]). Again let X be a (general) Banach space and $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}) \subset X \rightarrow X$ be a linear closed operator, densely defined on the linear subspace $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A})$, and which is the infinitesimal generator of a strongly almost-periodic group of bounded linear operators $G(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X)$ (as in [10]). Next, let X_0 be a finite-dimensional subspace of X and A be a linear continuous mapping of X into X_0 (that is, an operator of finite rank). We shall prove the following

THEOREM 2. *Let us assume that \mathcal{A} commutes with the projection P of X onto X_0 and that $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}) \cap X_0$ is dense in X_0 . Then, if $x(t)$, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A})$ is a solution of the equation $dx/dt = (\mathcal{A} + A)x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, which is bounded over \mathbb{R} , it is almost-periodic, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$. (See [6, p. 49] for definition of P ; remark that if $x \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}) \cap X_0$, then $\mathcal{A}x \in X_0$; in fact, $x \in X_0 \Rightarrow Px = x$ and $\mathcal{A}x = \mathcal{A}Px = P\mathcal{A}x \in X_0$.)*

Proof. Let $Q = I - P$ (thus $Q^2 = Q$). Remark that

$$\frac{d}{dt}(Qx)(t) = Q \frac{dx}{dt} = Q\mathcal{A}x(t) + QA x(t).$$

Actually QA is the null-operator, as easily seen, and Q commutes with operator \mathcal{A} . It follows that $(d/dt)(Qx)(t) = \mathcal{A}(Qx)(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, and the general solution of this equation is expressed by the relation $(Qx)(t) = G(t)(Qx)(0)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$ (see, for instance, Lemme 1 in [11, p. 95]). Thus, $(Qx)(t)$ is in $AP(X)$. Next consider the function $(Px)(t)$, whose range is in X_0 . We see that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}(Px)(t) &= P \frac{dx}{dt} = \mathcal{A}(Px)(t) + PA((Px)(t) + (Qx)(t)) \\ &= (\mathcal{A} + PA)(Px)(t) + PA(G(t)(Qx)(0)), \end{aligned}$$

or, denoting $(Px)(t) = y(t)$, and remembering that $A \in \mathcal{L}(X, X_0)$, it is $(d/dt)y(t) = (\mathcal{A} + PA)y(t) + f(t)$ where $f(t) = A(G(t)(Qx)(0))$ is a.p. from \mathbb{R} to X_0 , and $y(t)$ is bounded, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow X_0$. Here $\mathcal{A} + PA = \mathcal{A} + A$ restricted to $X_0 \cap \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A})$; this is a linear subspace of X_0 , hence a closed subspace [6, Corollary I-4-10], and it coincides with X_0 by one of the assumptions. Thus \mathcal{A} is a linear operator $X_0 \rightarrow X_0$, hence belongs to $\mathcal{L}(X_0)$. By a well-known theorem (see, for instance, [3, Theorem 4.2]), $y(t) \in AP(X_0)$, hence $x(t) = (Qx)(t) + y(t) \in AP(X)$. Q.E.D.

We end this section by considering the equation with a.p. right-hand side. We prove the following

THEOREM 3. *Let $g(t) \in AP(X)$, while \mathcal{A} and A verify the same assumptions as in Theorem 2. Let $x(t), \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A})$ be a solution of the differential equation*

$$\frac{dx}{dt}(t) = (\mathcal{A} + A)x(t) + g(t);$$

then, if $x(t)$ has relatively compact range in X it is almost-periodic, and this is also true when X is a Hilbert space and $x(t)$ has a bounded range in it.

Proof. Introducing the projections P and Q as above we see first that

$$\frac{d}{dt}(Qx)(t) = \mathcal{A}(Qx)(t) + (Qg)(t).$$

The range of $(Qx)(t)$ is also relatively compact in X , while Qg is in $AP(X)$. From Theorem 3.2 in [11] we deduce $Qx \in AP(X)$ (when X is a Hilbert space, boundedness of x suffices, as easily seen).

Next, one considers the function $Px, \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X_0$ and one readily gets the relation

$$\frac{d}{dt}(Px)(t) = (\mathcal{A} + A)(Px)(t) + A(Qx)(t) + (Pg)(t).$$

This is a differential equation in X_0 , where $\mathcal{A} + A \in \mathcal{L}(X_0)$, while the sum $AQx + Pg$ belongs to $AP(X_0)$. Again, from boundedness of $Px, \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X_0$ we find $Px \in AP(X)$.

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In this section we study equations of the form $dx/dt = Ax + f$ where A is an operator of simplest type or a nilpotent operator. Remember (see [4]) that an operator $A \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ (X is again a Banach space) is said to be of simplest type if it admits a representation of the form $A = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j P_j$, where the λ_j 's are mutually distinct complex numbers and the operators P_j ($j = 1, 2, \dots, n$) form a complete system ($\sum_{j=1}^n P_j = I$) of pairwise disjoint projections in X (i.e., $P_j P_k = \delta_j^k P_k$, $j, k = 1, 2, \dots, n$). We can state

PROPOSITION 1. *If $x(t), \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$ is a bounded solution of the (homogeneous) equation $dx/dt = Ax$, then $x(t) \in AP(X)$.*

Proof. It is in fact

$$P_k \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(P_k x)(t) = P_k \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j P_j \right) x(t) = \lambda_k (P_k x)(t).$$

From boundedness of $P_k x$ it follows that $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_k = 0$ and $(P_k x)(t) = e^{i\sigma_k t}(P_k x)(0)$, where $\sigma_k = \operatorname{Im} \lambda_k$. Thus,

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=1}^n (P_k x)(t) = \sum_{k=1}^n e^{i\sigma_k t}(P_k x)(0)$$

is in $AP(X)$. Next we have

PROPOSITION 2. *If $f(t) \in AP(X)$ and $x(t)$ is a solution of the differential equation $dx/dt = Ax + f$ which has relatively compact range, then $x \in AP(X)$.*

Proof. Proceeding as above, we obtain the equality

$$\frac{d}{dt}(P_k x)(t) = \lambda_k(P_k x)(t) + (P_k f)(t).$$

Here $P_k x$ has relatively compact range and $P_k f \in AP(X)$. It follows that $P_k x \in AP(X)$ (see [7]). Thus x is also in $AP(X)$.

Consider now an operator $A \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ which is nilpotent (that is, $A^n = \theta$ for some natural power n). We have

PROPOSITION 3. *Any solution $x(t)$ of the differential equation $x'(t) = Ax(t)$ which is bounded over \mathbb{R} is a constant function.*

Proof. Remark that

$$x(t) = e^{At}x(0) = \left(I + \frac{t}{1!}A + \cdots + \frac{t^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}A^{n-1} \right)x(0),$$

which is a polynomial in t (of degree $n-1$) with coefficients in X . If such a polynomial is bounded over \mathbb{R} it is constant, as easily seen. (If $P(t) = \sum_{k=0}^m a_k t^k$, $a_k \in X$, and $\|P(t)\| \leq C \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$, it follows that $a_k = \theta$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$, and $P(t) = a_0 = P(0)$; in fact, if $a_m \neq \theta$, $P(t) = t^m(a_m + (1/t)a_{m-1} + \cdots + (1/t^m)a_0)$ and $\|P(t)\| = |t|^m \|a_m + (1/t)a_{m-1} + \cdots + (1/t^m)a_0\| \geq |t|^m (\|a_m\| - (1/|t|)\|a_{m-1}\| - \cdots - (1/|t|^m)\|a_0\|)$. For $|t| \geq \bar{t}$ it is $(1/|t|)\|a_{m-1}\| + \cdots + (1/|t|^m)\|a_0\| < \frac{1}{2}\|a_m\|$ and $\|P(t)\| \geq (|t|^m/2)\|a_m\|$ so that $\|P(t)\| \rightarrow \infty$ as $|t| \rightarrow \infty$). Therefore, the bounded solution $x(t)$ which equals $x(0)$ is in $AP(X)$.

We state now a result worked out together with Professor O. Arino (Pau, France):

PROPOSITION 4. *Let $f(t) \in AP(X)$, where X is uniformly convex. Assume the existence of a bounded solution (over \mathbb{R}), $x(t)$, of the equation $x'(t) = Ax(t) + f(t)$. Then $x(t)$ is almost-periodic in X .*

Proof. From $x' = Ax + f$ we deduce that $(A^{n-1}x)' = A^{n-1}f$ is a.p., hence $A^{n-1}x$ is a.p. (theorem of Amerio). Next, $(A^{n-2}x)' = A^{n-1}x + A^{n-2}f$ is a.p. and again $A^{n-2}x$ is a.p. Continuing this way we get that x is a.p. If X is a general B -space and $x(t)$ has rel. compact range, one obtains in the same way, by a theorem of Bochner, that $x(t)$ is almost-periodic.

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In this section we prove a result about almost-periodicity of relatively compact solutions in a situation similar to [2, pp. 125–126] (time-dependent operator). We consider a Hilbert space H and then a family of linear operators $A(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, having a common linear subspace $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}(A(t))$ $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$, as domain of definition; also \mathcal{D} is included in H . Thus $A(t): \mathcal{D} \subset H \rightarrow H$, $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$. We have the following

THEOREM 4. *Let $(A(t)h, k)_H = -(h, A(t)k)_H \quad \forall h, k \in \mathcal{D}$ and $A(t + \omega) = A(t)$, $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$, for some real number ω . Let $x(t)$, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ be a solution of the differential equation*

$$x'(t) = A(t)x(t), \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R},$$

such that the set $\{x(t), t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ has compact closure in H . Then $x(t)$ is almost-periodic, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow H$.

We shall use the following criterion of almost-periodicity (see [2, p. 8]). "Let $f(t) \in C_b(\mathbb{R}; X)$, space of continuous bounded functions, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$, a Banach space, and its Bochner transform $\tilde{f}(s)$, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow C_b(\mathbb{R}; X)$ be defined by $\tilde{f}(s) = \{f(t+s), t \in \mathbb{R}\}$. Assume that there exists a relatively dense sequence of real numbers $\{s_n\}$, such that the sequence $\{\tilde{f}(s_n)\}$ is relatively compact in $C_b(\mathbb{R}; X)$. Then f is almost-periodic, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$."

Proof of the Theorem. If $x(t)$ is a solution we see that $(d/dt)(x(t), x(t)) = (A(t)x(t), x(t)) + (x(t), A(t)x(t)) = 0$ and $\|x(t)\| = \|x(0)\| \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ (so that $x(t)$ is bounded over \mathbb{R}). Remark also that for any integer $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ it is $A(t + n\omega) = A(t)$, $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$, and

$$\frac{d}{dt} x(t + n\omega) = A(t + n\omega) x(t + n\omega) = A(t) x(t + n\omega).$$

Therefore, if $m \neq n$, we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} [x(t + n\omega) - x(t + m\omega)] = A(t)[x(t + n\omega) - x(t + m\omega)]$$

and consequently

$$\|x(t+n\omega) - x(t+m\omega)\|_H = \|x(n\omega) - x(m\omega)\|_H, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R},$$

which, translated in terms of Bochner transform, becomes

$$\|\tilde{x}(n\omega) - \tilde{x}(m\omega)\|_{C_b(\mathbb{R}; H)} = \|x(n\omega) - x(m\omega)\|_H.$$

Now, the sequence $\{n\omega\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is relatively dense in \mathbb{R} , the sequence $\{x(n\omega)\}$ is rel. compact in H by hypothesis, and the above equality shows that the sequence $\{\tilde{x}(n\omega)\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is also rel. compact in $C_b(\mathbb{R}; H)$.

5

In this section we consider results concerning separation from θ of non-trivial almost-periodic solutions as in our previous paper [12]. First, a *weakly sequentially complete* Banach space X is given. A function $f(t)$, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$ is said to be weakly almost-periodic if $\forall x^* \in X^*$, the function $\langle x^*, f(t) \rangle$, which is scalar-valued, is also (Bohr) almost-periodic. It was proved in [1] that such a function has Bochner's normality property, that is: for any real sequence $\{s_n\}_1^\infty$ one may extract a subsequence $\{s'_n\}_1^\infty$, such that (weak) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(t+s'_n) = g(t)$ exists, uniformly on \mathbb{R} .

Next consider in X a linear closed operator A of dense domain $\mathcal{D}(A)$, which is the infinitesimal generator of a C_0 -semi-group T_t . The following is true:

THEOREM 5. *Let $x(t)$, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(A)$ be a solution of $x'(t) = Ax(t)$ which is weakly almost-periodic. Then $x(t) = \theta \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ or $\inf_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|x(t)\| > 0$.*

Proof. If $\inf_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|x(t)\| = 0$, we can find a real sequence $\{\alpha'_n\} \subset \mathbb{R}$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x(\alpha'_n) = \theta$. Therefore, a subsequence $\{\alpha_n\} \subset \{\alpha'_n\}$ exists and a weakly almost-periodic function $y(t)$, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$, in such a way that (weak) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x(t + \alpha_n) = y(t)$ exists, uniformly on \mathbb{R} . (It implies that (weak) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y(t - \alpha_n) = x(t)$, uniformly on \mathbb{R} .)

Because of the representation formula $x(s + \zeta) = T_\zeta x(s)$, $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $\zeta \geq 0$, one deduces formula $x(t + \alpha_n) = T_{\alpha_n} x(t)$, $\forall t \geq 0$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$. As $x(\alpha_n) \rightarrow \theta$ (for $n \rightarrow \infty$), we see that $x(t + \alpha_n) \rightarrow \theta$, $n \rightarrow \infty$ (strongly), $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}^+$. It follows that $\langle x^*, y(t) \rangle = 0 \forall t \geq 0$, hence (from almost-periodicity), for any $t \in \mathbb{R}$, and thus $y(t) = \theta \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ so that $x(t)$ will be null too.

As a second result we also extend here Theorem 3 in [12] to the context of *general (non-separable)* Banach spaces. Let X be such a (*general*) B -space and $A(t)$, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X)$ be an operator-valued function which is strongly almost-periodic, in the sense that $A(t)x$, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$ is almost-periodic, $\forall x \in X$. Then the following holds:

THEOREM 6. *Let $x(t), \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$ be an almost-periodic solution of the differential equation $x'(t) = A(t)x(t)$. Then $x(t) = \theta \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ or $\inf_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|x(t)\| > 0$.*

Proof. If we assume that $\inf_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|x(t)\| = 0$, there exists a real sequence $\{\alpha'_n\}$ such that $x(\alpha'_n) \rightarrow \theta$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. On the other hand, using [13] we see that the function $A(t)x(t)$ is almost-periodic, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$. We may therefore extract a subsequence $\{\alpha_n\} \subset \{\alpha'_n\}$ such that $x(t + \alpha_n) \rightarrow \tilde{x}(t)$, $A(t + \alpha_n)x(t + \alpha_n) \rightarrow y(t)$, both limits uniformly on the real line.

Remember now that from the relative compactness of the set $\mathcal{R}x(\cdot) = \{x(t), t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ it follows that the linear closed subspace X_0 of X which is spanned by $\mathcal{R}x(\cdot)$ is a separable one. Consider now the restriction of $A(t)$ to this subspace X_0 , which means to consider $A(t)$ as an element of the space $\mathcal{L}(X_0, X)$. With an obvious extension of the Lemma in [12, p. 841], the result expressed there is valid when $A(t) \in \mathcal{L}(E, F)$ where E is a separable and F an arbitrary Banach space. Accordingly, after some more extractions of subsequences, we may also assume that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(t + \alpha_n)x$ exists $\forall x \in X_0$, uniformly on \mathbb{R} . Let $B(t)$ be the (linear) operator, $X_0 \rightarrow X$, defined by $B(t)x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(t + \alpha_n)x$. It is seen that $\|B(t)x\|_X \leq \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|A(t)\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_0, X)} \cdot \|x\|$, $\forall x \in X_0$, and that the function $B(t)x$ is continuous, $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$, $\forall x \in X_0$. Moreover, using the relation $\tilde{x}(t) \in X_0$, $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$, we obtain, as in [12], the relation

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(t + \alpha_n)x(t + \alpha_n) = B(t)\tilde{x}(t), \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R},$$

and the uniform bound $\|A(t + \alpha_n)x(t + \alpha_n)\| \leq C$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, because of boundedness of almost-periodic functions. Therefore, applying a property of Bochner's integral, we get, $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t A(s + \alpha_n)x(s + \alpha_n) ds = \int_0^t B(s)\tilde{x}(s) ds.$$

Remark now that $x'(t + \alpha_n) = A(t + \alpha_n)x(t + \alpha_n)$ and

$$x(t + \alpha_n) - x(\alpha_n) = \int_0^t A(s + \alpha_n)x(s + \alpha_n) ds, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$ it results, if $t > 0$,

$$\tilde{x}(t) = \int_0^t B(s)\tilde{x}(s) ds \quad \text{and} \quad \|\tilde{x}(t)\| \leq \int_0^t \|B(s)\tilde{x}(s)\| ds \leq L \int_0^t \|\tilde{x}(s)\| ds$$

where $L = \sup_{s \in \mathbb{R}} \|B(s)\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_0, X)}$, and $t > 0$. Defining the function

$$\sigma(t) = \int_0^t \|\tilde{x}(s)\| ds, \quad t \geq 0,$$

we see that $\sigma'(t) = \|\tilde{x}(t)\| \leq L\sigma(t)$ and $(d/dt)(e^{-Lt}\sigma(t)) \leq 0$, $e^{-Lt}\sigma(t) \leq 0$, $t > 0$, therefore $\sigma(t) = 0$ for $t > 0$ and $\|\tilde{x}(t)\| = 0 \forall t \geq 0$. Because of the almost-periodicity of \tilde{x} , it is null for any real t and the same is obviously true for $x(t)$, which equals $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{x}(t - \alpha_n)$.

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